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When at Least Two Second Endpoints Do Not Transmit Positive
Acknowledgement Message to First Endpoint

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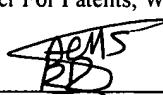
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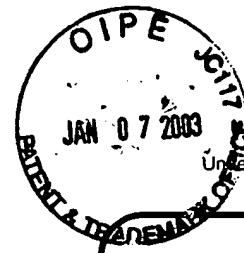
Consideration of the listed references and favorable action are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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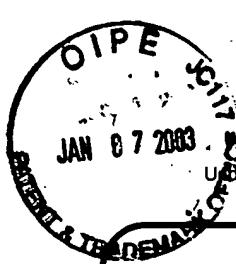
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